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**ESSENTIAL QUALITY 4-1 FAVORITE OVER ‘ALL OTHERS,’ CONCERT TOUR
AT CONCLUSION OF KENTUCKY DERBY FUTURE WAGER POOL 5**

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Sunday, March 28, 2021) – Five weeks in advance of the 147th running of the \$3 million Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (Grade I), bettors made unbeaten **Essential Quality** the 4-1 favorite over **“All Other 3-Year-Olds”** and **Concert Tour**, who both closed at 5-1 in the fifth and final pool of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager (KDFW), which concluded a three-day run Sunday.

The **Brad Cox**-trained 2-year-old champion **Essential Quality**, perfect in four starts with wins in the Breeders’ Futurity (GI), Breeders’ Cup Juvenile (GI) and Southwest (GIII), is expected to headline Saturday’s \$800,000 Blue Grass (GII) at Keeneland.

Unbeaten San Vicente (GII) and Rebel (GII) winner **Concert Tour** will run next in the \$1 million Arkansas Derby (GI) at Oaklawn Park for six-time Kentucky Derby winner **Bob Baffert**.

Horses in order of the public’s betting choice (with trainer, Pool 5 odds and \$2 Win will pays): #7 **Essential Quality** (Brad Cox, 4-1, \$10.20); #24 “All Other 3-Year-Olds” (5-1, \$12.80); #4 **Concert Tour** (Bob Baffert, 5-1, \$13); #8 **Greatest Honour** (Shug McGaughey, 9-1, \$20.80); #12 **Hot Rod Charlie** (Doug O’Neill, 12-1, \$26.20); #15 **Medina Spirit** (Bob Baffert, 13-1, \$28.80); #18 **Prevalence** (Brendan Walsh, 21-1, \$45.40); #11 **Highly Motivated** (Chad Brown, 25-1, \$53.80); #16 **Midnight Bourbon** (Steve Asmussen, 27-1, \$56.80); #9 **Helium** (Mark Casse, 28-1, \$59.80); #20 **Risk Taking** (Chad Brown, 30-1, \$62.80); #21 **Rock Your World** (John Sadler, 31-1, \$65); #2 **Caddo River** (Brad Cox, 33-1, \$69.40); #23 **Weyburn** (Jimmy Jerkens, 35-1, \$72.80); #3 **Collaborate** (Saffie Joseph Jr., 36-1, \$74.40); #14 **Mandaloun** (Brad Cox, 36-1, \$75.40); #5 **Crowded Trade** (Chad Brown, 38-1, \$78.40); #13 **Hozier** (Bob Baffert, 44-1, \$91.40); #6 **Dream Shake** (Peter Eurton, 45-1, \$92); #22 **Spielberg** (Bob Baffert, 46-1, \$95); #17 **O Besos** (Greg Foley, 50-1, \$102.20); #19 **Proxy** (Mike Stidham, 51-1, \$105.60); #10 **Hidden Stash** (Vicki Oliver, 53-1, \$109.60); and #1 **Big Lake** (Steve Asmussen, SCRATCHED).

Total handle for the March 26-28 KDFW pool – the final future wager pool in advance of the Kentucky Derby on Saturday, May 1 – was \$369,695 (\$242.140 in the Win pool and \$127,555 in Exactas). Since last November, a total of \$1,780,403 has been bet on future wagers for the Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks.

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